

## REMARKS

Claims 1-14 are pending in the application. Claims 13 and 14 are allowed. Claims 5, 9, and 12 are objected to but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claims 1-7 and 9-11 have been canceled. Claim 12 has been rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim (6) and any intervening claims (10).

Claim 13 is a combination of claims 1 and 5, i.e. claim 5 in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 14 is a combination of claims 6 and 9. Claim 8 which previously depended from claim 6 has been amended to depend from claim 14

In light of all of the above, it is submitted that the claims are in order for allowance, and prompt allowance is earnestly requested. Should any issues remain outstanding, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney of record so that the case may proceed expeditiously to allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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